

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

Dwight T. Neal,

Civil No. 15-3943 (PJS/BRT)

Plaintiff,

v.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

North Memorial Medical Center,

Defendant.

BECKY R. THORSON, United States Magistrate Judge.

Plaintiff Dwight T. Neal commenced this action by filing a complaint alleging that the Defendant discriminated against him. Neal did not pay the required filing fee for this case, but instead filed an application seeking leave to proceed in forma pauperis (“IFP”). (See Doc. No. 2.) In an Order dated November 5, 2015, this Court denied Neal’s IFP application, finding that Neal did not qualify financially for IFP status. (See Doc. No. 3.) Neal was given 20 days to pay the \$400 filing fee for this action, failing which it would be recommended that this action be dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b).

That deadline has now passed, and Neal has not paid the required filing fee. In fact, Neal has not communicated with the Court about this case at all since commencing this action. Accordingly, this Court now recommends, in accordance with its prior order, that this action be dismissed without prejudice under Rule 41(b) for failure to prosecute. See *Henderson v. Renaissance Grand Hotel*, 267 Fed. App’x 496, 497 (8th Cir. 2008) (per curiam) (“A district court has discretion to dismiss an action under Rule 41(b) for a

plaintiff's failure to prosecute, or to comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or any court order.").

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the foregoing, and on all of the files, records, and proceedings herein, **IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED** that this action be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** under Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b) for failure to prosecute.

Dated: December 4, 2015

s/ Becky R. Thorson

Becky R. Thorson

United States Magistrate Judge

NOTICE

Filing Objections: This Report and Recommendation is not an order or judgment of the District Court and is therefore not appealable directly to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Under Local Rule 72.2(b)(1), "a party may file and serve specific written objections to a magistrate judge's proposed finding and recommendations within 14 days after being served a copy" of the Report and Recommendation. A party may respond to those objections within 14 days after being served a copy of the objections. LR 72.2(b)(2). All objections and responses must comply with the word or line limits set for in LR 72.2(c).

Under Advisement Date: This Report and Recommendation will be considered under advisement 14 days from the date of its filing. If timely objections are filed, this Report and Recommendation will be considered under advisement from the earlier of: (1) 14 days after the objections are filed; or (2) from the date a timely response is filed.